IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gotz-Ekkehard Sapper, et al.

Serial No.: 10/512.035

Filed: October 20, 2004

For

AQUEOUS PIGMENT PASTES CONTAINING MICA PIGMENTS AND THE USE THEREOF FOR PRODUCING AQUEOUS, DECORATIVE-EFFECT

COATINGS

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner: Vickey M. Ronesi

Confirmation No.: 2224

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence is being submitted by EFS-Web as an efilled Response, addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on Thursday, June 19, 2008

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

This is in response to the outstanding Final Office Action of April 11, 2008, wherein pending claims 1-17 were rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely if a petition is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account 23-3425 any fees necessary for entry of this amendment and/or extension of time.

Please make the following amendments to the Application as set forth below.